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Sir:

This submission responds to the final Office Action, dated November 27, 1998, in the captioned case. A request for a three month extension of time is attached. If Applicants have not accounted for any fees required by this response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the missing fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. In the absence of an explicit request from Applicants, the PTO also is requested to grant any needed extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, and to charge the corresponding fee to the aforementioned account.

Prior to reconsideration, Applicants request that the Office enter the following amendments. Their entry is proper because they are believed to overcome rejections, thereby limiting the number of issues for appeal; they do not introduce new issues. All deletions of subject matter are solely to refine the issues for appeal and do not represent a disclaimer of the deleted subject matter.